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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit 1623

In re application of

METHOD FOR PREPARING CELL

CULTURES FROM BIOLOGICAL

Paul L. Kornblith

SPECIMENS FOR

CHEMOTHERAPEUTIC AND

Serial No. 09/040,161

OTHER ASSAYS

Filed March 17, 1998

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania February 15, 1999

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant requests a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding Action was mailed on October 13, 1998 and the period set for response was three months, bringing the response to be

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on February 15, 1999.

Johnson, Registration No. 31,198

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due on January 13, 1999. Therefore, a one-month extension of time will bring the response due on February 13, 1999. Because January 13, 1999 falls on a Saturday, a timely response may be filed on Monday, February 15, 1999.

A check in the amount of \$55 is enclosed to cover the extension fee. A Notice of Appeal is filed concurrently herewith.

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment in the form of a check. The original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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